



Hunter Mill Highlights

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is my electronic
monthly newsletter.

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Dear Hunter Mill Friends,

Yes, May is a rather bustling month - absolutely filled with activities every minute.

Among other things, May is National Bike Month. The reasons are myriad – preserve the environment, reduce pollution, and improve air quality. Not to mention the exercise and fun. This month student groups are school-bound aboard the walking bus or students bicycle train. Walk or bike, [Safe Routes to School](#) help make the trip secure, provides an opportunity to explore your community and are super social.

Hunter Mill District will be well represented among the bikers and pedestrians on Bike to School Day – May 9 - with students from Aldrin, Armstrong, Dogwood, Hunters Woods, Lake Anne, Marshall Road, McNair, Sunrise Valley, Terraset, Westbriar, and Wolftrap Elementary schools signed up and ready to roll.

Bicycle enjoyment isn't limited to the younger set. Commuting adults can celebrate the outdoor activity, save money, lessen traffic congestion, while improving their own health on Bike to Work Day on May 18.

Speaking of transportation issues, pedal on over to the Fairfax County Government Center, May 17, 7 pm, for the public meeting on the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) FY 2018-2023 Six Year Program. As always your public input is sought. This is your opportunity to tell us how to allocate funds among the 60 possible Candidate Projects. See page 4 for details and links to submit comments to [NVTA](#) or to e-mail SYPcomment@thenovaauthority.org.

There is another chance to give feedback on projects effecting you. With the current five – year plan being completed, the Park Authority (PA) is developing a new five-year Strategic Plan. The purpose of the proposed plan is to guide PA staff in carrying out the 2017 Parks and Recreation System Master Plan. The proposed plan will address FY2019-FY2023. Because the Strategic Plan is so instrumental, your input on the draft is invited. See page 9 for more information and links to the draft plan. Comments are welcome until May 25 at Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov or using the [comment form](#).

What would Memorial Day Weekend be without a Star-Spangled Salute? On May 26, at Reston Towne Center, you can get a patriotic tattoo, pen Thank You Cards for Troops, contribute to Operation Care Package, plus enjoy a 7:30 pm musical celebration to honor our armed forces personnel and their families. Sing along with songs familiar and salute our troops, serving now and in the past.

Close out the month with a home town fiesta at Viva Vienna! If the giant sack slide, kiddie carousel, or Willie the Whale, don't tickle your fancy, consider the Jolly Choo-Choo, Funnel Force, Expo Wheel or Cliff Hanger. Between nibbles of yummy food, you can survey the crafts or watch the stage entertainment. A fun family day to commemorate those who aren't here to enjoy the month of May.

I hope to see you out and about at one of the wonderful May events here in the Hunter Mill District!

Cathy Hudgins

Gift Card Collection for Displaced Seniors

A recent fire at Forest Glen senior housing complex in Centreville has displaced approximately 125 residents. Volunteer Fairfax is accepting gift cards to help the senior residents buy food, clothing, household items and other necessities. Generic gift cards valid at local stores for \$20 or less are requested. Donors can drop off or mail gift cards to Volunteer Fairfax office, 10530 Page Avenue, Fairfax, VA 22030. Please include your name and address with your donation so you can be thanked and acknowledged, and so a receipt can be sent for your gift. For additional information, contact Volunteer Fairfax at 703-246-3460.

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CREATIVE AGING FESTIVAL 2018



During the month of May, Fairfax County and community partners are celebrating the 2018 Creative Aging Festival, celebrating older adults' creativity and participation in the arts through visual, music, theatre, dance, literary and culinary arts activities. More than 50 free interactive events are planned at senior, community and art centers to engage and showcase senior artists and highlight the positive benefits of the arts as we age. The County's senior centers will be hosting demonstrations, performances and interactive classes involving writing, drawing, painting, crafting, music and dance.

In the Hunter Mill District, activities will be held at Reston Community Center and Herndon Senior Center. For complete listing of all Festival activities, visit [Creative Aging Festival](#). Please be sure to contact the host location for additional details and information about specific activities.

FY2019 County Budget and Capital Improvement Plan Approved

On May 1, the Board of Supervisors approved the County's FY2019 budget plan and capital improvement program for FY2019-2023. This budget includes a 2 cent per \$100 assessed value increase in the residential property tax rate, fully funds the FY2019 Fairfax County Public School budget, and funding for important public safety priorities including Diversion First, gang prevention and the Opioid Task Force.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contacted my office with your input on the budget, attended a public budget meeting, or testified at the public hearings. It is so important to hear from you! While I am unable to accommodate every suggestion, I do value your input.

I also want to extend my appreciation to the members of the **Hunter Mill Citizen Budget Advisory Committee** for a job well done. They work very hard over a short period to dig into some of the details on various areas and provide their recommendations. You can read their [final report for FY2019](#) on my website. If you have interest in joining this effort for FY2020, please contact my office. Work will begin soon with the coming Lines of Business reviews.

Local Police Honored for Their Service



LEFT: PFC Landon Hopson (center) was recognized as Officer of the Quarter from the Reston District Police Station. PFC Hopson received congratulations from Supervisor Hudgins and representatives of the Reston Chamber of Commerce, along with Captain Manzo and Lt. Malarkey of the Reston District Station.



RIGHT: American Legion Post 180 in Vienna honored Officer Ara Post, the 2017 Town of Vienna "Police Officer of the Year". Presenting the award is Vienna Police Chief James Morris.

Now Playing on Channel 16: *Connecting with Supervisor Hudgins*

May: Protecting Our Streams and Natural Areas

This month's program focuses on protecting our County streams and natural areas. Watch the program here - [video on demand](#).

Each month, Supervisor Hudgins hosts a television program on the County's Channel 16, on a variety of important issues and topics in the Hunter Mill District and the County. Broadcast times and days, and video on demand links to the current show are available on the ["Connecting with Supervisor Hudgins" webpage](#).



Recycling the Good Stuff



Who hasn't looked at a wrapper or package of some kind and thought, "This should be recyclable"? And in some cases, it is. But it helps to focus on what is definitely recyclable – the things that you don't even think about. Plastic water bottles, mayo jars, Amazon boxes, etc. To the extent that we can focus on recycling right, we will go a long way toward improving recycling in Fairfax County.

When you throw old telephones, shoes (even Crocs), rubber hoses, or bowling balls into your recycling bin because you think that "they can do something with this," you are participating in what we call "wishful recycling." These things don't belong in the recycling bin because there's no way to recycle them – no one wants them - so these items end up as trash. But only after they've been sorted by the recycling company, which inevitably adds to the cost of recycling!

Which brings us to "National Sword," an initiative recently adopted by the Chinese government to reduce the amount of waste that China unintentionally imports. Cargo ships that come to the U.S. full of consumer goods often head back to China full of our recyclables, a system that has worked well for many years. Unfortunately, we haven't been very good about sending them *just* recyclables, so the manufacturers there have to pick through a lot of trash to get to the "good stuff." As part of a national initiative to reduce the pollution and waste caused by recycling plants, the Chinese government has imposed stricter operating standards and tighter specifications for acceptable recycled plastics. U.S. recycling markets are feeling the negative impacts of that change.

The good news is that we can make a difference by putting only the items that we know are recyclable into the recycling bin – and the rest will be safely disposed of right here at home. In Fairfax County, the disposal mechanism itself is recycling of a sort – our refuse is processed at a waste-to-energy plant, where it is combusted to generate enough electricity to power nearly 75,000 homes.

For more information about what is/isn't recyclable at home, please see our Always/Never Recycle flyer at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/sites/publicworks/files/assets/documents/pdf/publications/always-never-flyer.pdf>

Document Shredding Events

Fairfax's Solid Waste Management Programs sponsors monthly document shredding events where you can shred up to 4 boxes of your sensitive documents for free. Last year, more than 400 tons of recycled paper was recovered! Events are on Saturdays, from 8 am to noon. Upcoming events are

May 19 - North County Human Services (1805 Cameron Glen Dr, Reston)

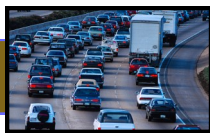
July 14 - Kilmer Middle School (8100 Wolf Trap Road, Vienna).

[More information and guidelines](#)

Vienna Residents: Vehicle License Fees Collection

Fairfax County will collect the town of Vienna's vehicle-license fees under an agreement unanimously approved April 23 by the Vienna Town Council. Vienna officials sought the pact to streamline collection services and eliminate confusion for residents, who currently receive vehicle information and personal-property-tax bills from Fairfax County, but pay vehicle-license fees to the town. The Town of Herndon began having the county collect its vehicle-license fees two years ago and the arrangement has proved successful, Vienna officials said. The agreement likely will improve fee collections and save Vienna about \$15,000 annually in paper and postage costs, according to Vienna's Finance Director Marion Serfass.

Transportation



Participate in Visualize 2045

Visualize 2045 is a new kind of long-range transportation plan for the National Capital Region under development by the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB). It will identify all regionally significant transportation investments planned through 2045 and provide detailed analysis to help decision makers and the public “visualize” the region’s future under current plans. TPB invites you to participate in a local public forum on Visualize 2045, **Tuesday, May 8, 7 pm**, at Providence Community Center, 3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax. Additional forums are planned throughout the National Capital Region.

The Forum will focus on the seven initiatives that will be highlighted in Visualize 2045. These seven initiatives include the five that were developed through the TPB’s Long-Range Plan Task Force plus two bicycle and pedestrian initiatives. Read about [the five initiatives](#) from TPB Chair Charles Allen, and about the [National Capital Trail and walking/biking improvements](#).

**BIKE TO
WORK
DAY 2018**
FRIDAY MAY 18



Washington Area Bicyclist Association and Fairfax County government invite you to celebrate bicycling as a clean, fun and healthy way to get to work on Bike to Work Day, Friday, May 18. Be one of the first 20,000 to register, then bike to your choice of 100 pit stops throughout Virginia, D.C., and Maryland, to receive your free t-shirt, refreshments and raffle chance, and more.

Pit shops in/near Hunter Mill District are: Vienna Town Green, Reston Wiehle-Reston East Metro, Herndon Town Hall Green, Tysons Corner Center at Capital Grille, Mosaic at Strawberry Park. In addition, new stops this year include the Fairfax County Government Center, Audrey More RECenter, Huntington Community Center, Chantilly Regional Library, and Dolley Madison Library (McLean). Additional stops are listed on the website below.

Sign up at <http://www.biketoworkmetrodc.org/>. Also, visit [Bike & Walk Fairfax](#) for additional details and information.

Your Input on NVTA 60 Candidate Transportation Projects

Fairfax County will hold two public meetings to present and seek public input on the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) 60 Candidate Projects for their FY2018-2023 Six Year Program.

Meetings will begin with an Open House at 5:30 pm, followed by presentation at 7 pm, and will be held:

- **Wednesday, May 9**, at Mt. Vernon Governmental Center (2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria)
- **Thursday, May 17**, at Fairfax County Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax).

You can review the [list of Candidate Projects](#), and submit your comments at <http://thenovaauthority.org/syp-comment>.

I-66 Commuters: Park for Free and Ride the Connector for \$1

Beginning Monday, May 7, travelers and commuters along I-66 will be able to ride select Fairfax Connector bus routes serving the Vienna Metrorail Station for \$1. Park your car for FREE at the park and ride locations, catch a bus, and ride to Metro.

FREE PARKING LOCATIONS:

AMF Centreville Lane (Routes 630, 641)
Centreville Stone Road (Routes 640, 642, 644)
Centreville United Methodist (Routes 630, 641)
Fairfax County Government Center (Routes 621, 623)
Greenbriar Park (Routes 632, 640)
Poplar Tree Park (Routes 632, 640)
Stringfellow Road (Routes 630, 631, 632)
Sully Station (Routes 640, 642)

For a complete list of routes that you can take for \$1 to the Vienna Metrorail Station, visit <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/i-66/bus-connections>



Hunter Mill District Land Use Projects

Listed monthly are new applications and those scheduled for public hearings by the Planning Commission and/or the Board of Supervisors this month, with a look-ahead to the next two months. The complete listing of district land use projects will be posted and updated on the Hunter Mill District/land use website at <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/huntermill/district-land-use-cases>. In addition, links to the County's Land Development System (LDS) have been included for access to additional documents and information on the specific application. Information on all residential and commercial properties can be accessed through the Department of Tax Administration's [Real Estate Assessment Information Site](#). You can search a property by address or tax map reference numbers. In the applications below, tax map reference numbers are in [brackets]. Addresses have also been included where available.

NEW Applications

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has filed a 2232-Public Facility Review request to replace the Reston Fire Station #25 facility, located at 1820 Wiehle Avenue [Tax Map 017-4 ((5)), Parcel 5].

Applications Approved

Tyson's West Residential, LLC has filed a Comprehensive Sign Plan Amendment CSPA 2011-HM-032-02 for 8595 Leesburg Pike and 8604 Westwood Center Drive, Vienna, [Tax Map 29-3 ((24)) Parcels 5 and 6]. **The Planning Commission voted to approve this application at the April 26, 2018 meeting.**

FR Pike 7 Limited Partnership has filed for a waiver (SE 2017-HM-031) of certain sign regulations for properties located at 8361, 8365, 8371 and 8399 Leesburg Pike, Vienna, Virginia [Tax Map 29-3 ((1)), Parcels 36A1, 36B, 36C and 36D] to replace signs on Leesburg Pike. The signs will be reduced in size and moved to a more visible location on the property. **The Planning Commission voted to recommend approval at their March 22, 2018 at 7:30 pm. The Board of Supervisors approved this application at the May 1, 2018 meeting.**

Applications Scheduled: April - June (The staff report is posted 2 weeks prior to the Planning Commission hearing.)

TH Holding Company LLC has filed a Proffer Condition Amendment (PCA 79-C-090-02 and PCA 91-H-001, Rezoning Application (RZ 2017-HM-019) and Special Exception (SE 2017-HM-016 for a Suite-style hotel at 1741 Business Center Drive (Lake Fairfax Business Park) Reston, [Tax Map 018-3 ((10)), Parcel A1]. The property is located north of Sunset Hills Road and west of Business Center Drive. The PCAs and RZ application are needed to remove the property from the Lake Fairfax Business Park approvals and allow development of the existing surface parking lot on the property into an approximately 98,500 square foot twenty-four hour suite-style hotel to its own set of independent proffers. The Special Exceptions will permit the hotel and increase the permitted Floor Area Ratio (FAR) from .50 to .67 (within the allowable range of up to .70). **The Planning Commission voted to recommend approval at their May 3, 2018 meeting. The Board of Supervisors public hearing is scheduled for May 15, 2018, at 4:30 pm. Additional information online and PCA 7-C-090-02 and RZ 2017-HM-019 and SE 2017-HM-016**

CoreSite Real Estate Sunrise Technology Park LLC has filed Rezoning (RZ 2017-HM-032) and Special Exception (SE 2017-HM-030) applications to reclassify the properties located at 12369A, 12343 and 12379 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston from Industrial 4 District to an Industrial 5 District and increase the floor area ratio from 0.5 to 1.0. The Applicant is proposing to adaptively reuse this aging and underutilized office park with a revitalization effort as a state-of-the-art Data Center. (Tax Map 17-3 ((1)) Parcels 17B, 23 and 32) The proposed Data Center will be linked by high-quality fiber to CoreSite's existing Data Center on the north side of Sunrise Valley Drive. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 7:30 pm. Additional information online and RZ 2017-HM-032**

RP 11111 Sunset Hills Road, RZ 2017-HM-006, FDP 2017-HM-006, [Tax Map 18-3 ((06)) Parcel 8] to rezone from Industrial 4 District (I-4) to Planned District Commercial (PDC) for a mixed-use development to include the construction of up to 175 multi-family units and 13 townhouses, while retaining the existing office building, and an extension of Reston Station Boulevard to Sunset Hills. The parcel is located on the south side of Sunset Hills Drive, approximately 980 feet east of its intersection with Michael Faraday Drive. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 7:30 pm. Additional information online and FDP2017-HM-006**

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JBG/1831 Wiehle LLC, EYA Development LLC and The Chevy Chase Land Company of Montgomery County, MD have filed Rezoning and Final Development Plans (RZ/FDP 2016-HM-024) for 1831 & 1860 Wiehle Avenue and 1840 & 1860 Michael Faraday Drive to permit a mixed-use, transit oriented development in the Wiehle-Reston Transit Station Area. The four parcels are located at [Tax Map: 17-4((18)) Parcels 1A and 1B and 17-4 ((18)) 2B and 3]. The existing office buildings will be replaced with approximately 1,688,000 square feet of development consisting of 840 multi-family units, 60 single-family attached residential units, 130 independent living units, 205,917 square feet of office space and 260,945 square feet of ground floor retail. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, June 14, 2018 at 8:15 pm.** [Additional information online](#) and at [FDP 2016-HM-024](#)

Reston Town Center has filed a Comprehensive Sign Plan Amendment (CSPA 85-C-088) to permit 200 square feet of signage for Building 5 located at 1746 Presidents Street [Tax Map 17-1((16)) Parcel 5A]. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, June 14, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.**

One Reston Co. LLC and Two Reston Co. LLC have filed a rezoning application RZ 2016-HM-007 to rezone the property located at 12000 and 12010 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston [Tax Map 17-3 ((8)) Parcels 1B and 1A1 from I-4] to Planned Development Commercial. The Property is currently developed with two (2) existing six-story office buildings totaling approximately 388,000 square feet and above-grade parking structure surface parking lot and two wet stormwater management ponds. The Property currently has approval for an additional 1.1 million square feet of development for three (3) new office buildings. The new proposal is to develop 3.88 million square feet of development for a total of 2.45 to include Transit Oriented Mixed-Use Development consisting of mid / high-rise residential buildings with potential hotel rooms and amenities, commercial buildings and ground floor retail. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for June 28, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. The expedited Board of Supervisors public hearing is scheduled for July 31, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.**

Daniel W. McKinnon has filed a Rezoning to rezone from Residential-1 District to Residential-3 District for the proposed development of four (4) residential lots. The proposed density is 2.27 dwelling units per acre. Mr. McKinnon proposed to replace the existing main house and guest house and create a four-lot subdivision. The property is located at 9433 Old Courthouse Road, Vienna [Tax Map 28-3 ((05)) Parcel 36]. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, June 28, 2018, 7:30 pm.**

Boston Properties LLC (Reston Gateway) has filed a Proffer Condition Amendment (PCA- 86-C-119-07), Planned Residential Community (PRC – 86-C-119-02) and Development Plan Amendment (DPA 86-C-119-03) for property located on the north side of Sunset Hills Road, East side of Town Center Parkway and the south side of the W&OD Trail [Tax Map: 017-3 ((01))29A (Parcel 1), 17-3 ((01)) 29B - Parcel 2, 17-3 ((01)) 5H1 – Parcel 3 and 17-3 ((01)) 5 – Parcel 4]. Development is focused on Parcels 1 and 2; with parcels 3 and 4 remaining unchanged with this application. The proposed mixed use development will include 3.94 million square feet of new development across nine blocks, divided into two phases. Presented with two options: Option1: Retail/ Restaurant = 182,400 Square feet; Office= 1,872,080 (includes 195,080 in block 3 that remains the same); hotel = 509,000 square feet (570 keys) and residential 1,575,000 square feet (1,520 units) with a total of 4,138,840 square feet. Option 2: Retail/ restaurant 185,400 square feet; Office = 1,801,080 (includes 195,080 in block 3 that remains the same); Hotel = 458,000 (570 Keys); and Residential=1,694,000 (1,710 units) with a total of 4,138,480 square feet. Phasing of the potential build out will occur based on current lease obligations. **Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for July 19, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. The Board of Supervisors public hearing is scheduled for July 31, 2018.**

Pulte Homes Corporation has filed Rezoning and Final Development Plan (RZ/FDP 2016-HM-031) concurrent with Proffer Condition Amendments PCA 83-C-069-02 and PCA 80-C-086-02 to rezone the property at 12700 Sunrise Valley Drive, [Tax Map 14-4 ((26)) Parcel 1, 16-4 ((1)) Parcel 16B and 16-4 ((26)) 2], currently known as Reston Arboretum, from Industrial 4 and 5 Districts to Planned Development Commercial (PDC) to permit office and residential uses; Proffer Condition Amendment (PCA 80-C-086-02 / PCA 83-C-069-02) to delete land area from the Industrial District 5. The Applicant proposes to construct forty-four (44) single family attached dwelling units and a parking garage. The existing building on the property will remain. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 7:30 pm. The Board of Supervisors public hearing is scheduled for July 31, 2018.** [Additional information online](#) and [RZ 2016-HM-031](#) and [PCA 80-C-086-02](#) and [PCA 83-C-069-02](#)

1941 RCP LLC and 1950 RCP LLC – Woodfield Acquisitions, LLC has filed applications Planned Residential Community (PRC B-846-05), Proffer Conditional Amendment (PCA B-846-04) and Development Plan Amendment (DPA HM-117-03) to supplement and/or replace the existing office buildings and surface parking lot with two multifamily residential buildings containing 699 dwelling units at a 2.30 FAR. The property is located at 1946 and 1943 Roland Clarke Place, [Tax Map 17-4 (914)) (1A)2 and 17-4 ((14)) (1A)3]. The Applicant intends to ultimately remove the existing buildings on the site, but develop the Property in phases. In order to facilitate this phasing the Applicant has divided the Property into two development blocks, Block A and B.

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Land Use continued -

In Phase I, Block A will be fully redeveloped with an approximately 332,240 square foot, 7-story multifamily residential building with a cellar on the southern end of the block and a parking garage positioned on the north side of the site towards the Dulles Toll Road. In Phase II, Block B will be fully redeveloped with an approximately 412,178 square foot, 8-story multifamily residential building with a cellar on the southern end of the block. To serve the approximately 383 units planned for this residential building an above-grade parking garage will be positioned on the Dulles Toll Road side of the block. **The Planning Commission public hearing is scheduled for July 26, 1028 at 7:30 pm.**

Applications Accepted: (to be scheduled)

- **1900-02 Campus Commons, LLC:** residential and retail, at the corner of Sunrise Valley Drive and Campus Commons Drive.
- **JBG/Reston Executive Center, LLC:** residential, office and retail, at 12100-12120 Sunset Hill Road.
- **Virginia Electric and Power Company:** electric substation in Tysons
- **Inova Health Care Services and Board of Supervisors:** Reston Town Center North improvements
- **Reston Crossing:** mixed use project at 2001 Edmund Halley Drive.

Details on these applications and complete listing of all [HUNTER MILL DISTRICT LAND USE CASES](#) are online

Hunter Mill District Land Use Committee

The next meeting will be **Tuesday, May 15, 2018**, 7:30 pm, North County Governmental Center (1801 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston). For information, contact [Goldie Harrison](#), 703-478-0283.

Reston Planning and Zoning Committee

The Reston Planning and Zoning Committee will meet on **Monday, April 21, 2018** at 7:30 pm, at the North County Governmental Center (1801 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston). For additional information, visit <http://rpz.korchy.com>.

From Fairfax County Urban Forestry

Feel Free to Plant a Tree

Trees provide multiple benefits including oxygen production, energy savings and aesthetic value. A great time to plant trees is in the spring or fall. Before you plant a tree, make sure that the space will accommodate the tree you select in terms of mature height and root growth.

When digging a hole for your tree, make sure it is at least 2 to 3 times the width of the root ball and no deeper than the height of the root ball. Make sure to leave the root flare exposed, the part of the trunk where it widens just above the root system. Do not fill the hole with compost, instead use native, non-amended soil to encourage roots to grow beyond the hole. Tamp down soil well so that the tree won't sink, shift or fall over.



Once the planting hole has been filled in, water the tree well so that the soil becomes saturated. Place a tree gator or watering bag with perforated holes on the bottom around the tree for ease of watering for newly planted trees. Your newly planted trees will also benefit from a wide, shallow ring of shredded hardwood mulch. Remember to water your new tree regularly during the first year.

When selecting a tree to plant, it will likely be in a pot or balled and burlaped. Only select trees where the main stem has not been pruned. Before selecting a tree, it should be carefully inspected in the nursery to ensure that it is not pot bound. This can be done by gently lifting the tree out of its pot and looking for circling roots, do not select any trees with circling roots. In balled and burlaped trees, remove any ropes or ties and peel back and remove at least 1/3 of the burlap and wire basket around the root ball once the tree is in the hole. Ensure also that any tags or labels have been removed from the tree after planting. If stakes and ties are used, remove them after 1 year; otherwise they will damage the tree.

For a list of native trees that are suitable to plant in Fairfax County and other tree planting information, please see the Urban Forest Management Division website at <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/benefits-planting-trees> or call 703-324-1770, TTY 711.

PATRICK HENRY LIBRARY EVENTS: 703-938-0405

Board in the Library: Fridays May 11 & 25, 3:30 pm. Join us for tabletop games. Not familiar with 7 Wonders, Catan, or Unlock? No problem - we'll teach you! Teens

Woof & Paws - Read to a Dog: Monday, May 14 and Thursday, May 17, 4-5 pm. Read aloud to a therapy dog. Call or sign up online for 15-minute session. Age 6-12.

Author/Teacher Helen Mondloch Live: Thursday, May 17, 7:30 pm. Enjoy the author's colorful glimpse into our nation's literary heritage from colonial times to present. Books available for sale and signing. Adults

Playdate Zone: Saturday, May 19, 10:30 am. Join other caregivers to socialize while the kids play. Birth-5.

Mystery Book Club at Vienna Community Center: Monday, May 21, 11:30 am. Join us for a new book club led by a Patrick Henry librarian. Read *Blood Alone* by James Benn.

RESTON REGIONAL LIBRARY EVENTS: 703-689-2700

Liberty: The American Revolution: Sundays in May, 2 pm. Join Prof. Harry Butowsky for a six-part lecture series on our gaining independence from Britain and establishment of the U.S. Adults and teens

Color Me Happy: Wednesday, May 9, 7 pm. Relax and color your cares away in our adult coloring session. Materials provided or bring your own. Adults

What I Wish I'd Known About High School Q&A: Saturday, May 12, 2 pm. Join current high school students for a Q&A session. Grades 7-8

Family Yoga: Friday, May 18, 10:30 am. Enjoy playful yoga, stories and songs. No experience needed. Age 16 months-4 years with adult.

Fantastic Films - Book to Movie Quiz Show: Saturday, May 26, 2 pm. The book is always better! Or is it? Join us as we enjoy films that started as books. Adults and teens



LED Lightbulb Exchange: Monday May 14, 10:30 am - 12:30 or until supplies last. Energy Action Fairfax will give each household a free 60W-equivalent warm, white LED bulb during a two-hour exchange. Each household may also exchange up to four incandescent or compact fluorescent (CFL) bulbs for LED bulbs, while supplies last. Also on **Tuesday, May 8**, 6:30-8:30 pm at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly.

Visit the Fairfax County Public Library website for branch, additional programs, information, and registration.



Lahey Lost Valley Resident Curator Meeting

The Park Authority is hosting a public information meeting to provide an overview of the Resident Curator Program (RCP) and to discuss the use of the historic Lahey Lost Valley house as a Resident Curator property. The public information meeting will be **Thursday, May 17**, beginning at 7 pm, at Westbriar Elementary School (1741 Pine Valley Drive, Vienna.) The meeting will provide an opportunity for public questions and comments.

The Resident Curator Program is designed to preserve Fairfax County's historic buildings by offering long term leases, without charge, to private citizens or organizations in exchange for their financial commitment to rehabilitate and maintain the property in accordance with established preservation standards.

Other RCP properties in Hunter Mill are **Ash Grove House** near Tysons and **Ellmore Farmhouse** at Frying Pan Farm Park. To find out more about the Residential Curator Program and properties, visit [Resident Curator Program](#).

RECenter Sustainability Report Presentation

The Park Authority will hold a public meeting on **Tuesday, June 5**, to present the results of the sustainability study for future redevelopment and growth of the RECenter system throughout the County. The meeting will begin at 7 pm, in the Conference Room 106/107 at the Herrity Building (12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax). The 2015 Needs Assessment Survey revealed that residents place a high priority on recreational facilities and see a need for upgrades across the park system. This is your chance to meet the project team as they share the final report and proposed operational and facility improvements based on identified needs. The [final copy of the report](#) is available for your review.



Share Your Opinion on the Park Authority's Strategic Plan

The Fairfax County Park Authority is seeking public comment on its new Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2019-2023. As the current plan nears completion, development of the new five-year strategic plan is underway. The FY19-FY23 Strategic Plan is a key tool to guide agency staff in the implementation of the 2017 Parks and Recreation System Master Plan, and the agency wants input from the public.

The strategic plan strives to leverage the strengths of staff and partnerships in order to further community priorities based on the findings from the [Parks Count! Needs Assessment](#) that was completed in spring 2016. It is also an essential part of ensuring the Park Authority achieves world class standards as required for re-accreditation by the [Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies \(CAPRA\)](#). Read the draft strategic plan, share what you think, and learn more about how the master plan and strategic plan connect by checking out the [Parks and Recreation System Master Plan](#).

The draft strategic plan is available for public review now until May 25, 2018. Submit comments via Park-mail@fairfaxcounty.gov or on the project website. For more information please contact Samantha Hudson at samantha.hudson@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-324-8726.



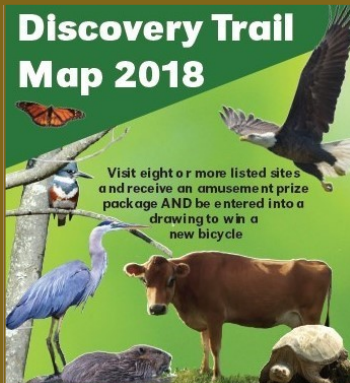
Explore the farm at Frying Pan Farm Park's Spring Farm Day! Milk a goat or a cow. Meet the baby animals. See antique farm equipment demos. Enjoy a carousel or wagon ride. And when you're hungry, sample the fair food! Farm Day runs from 10 am to 3 pm, on **Saturday, May 12**. \$7 in advance, \$8 at the gate. Register early (at bit.ly/2rSaRTO) and save. Frying Pan Farm Park - 2709 West Ox Rd, Herndon.

Fairfax County's Farmers Markets are open for business! The producer-only markets provide access to locally grown foods. Check the [Farmers Market site](#) for details on your favorite market, vendors, hours, and special offerings.

Park Authority Markets Now Open: (hours are 8 am-noon)
Wednesdays - Oak Marr (3200 Jermantown Road)
Thursdays - Herndon (700 block of Lynne Street)
Thursdays - Fairfax Government Center
Fridays - McLean (1659 Chain Bridge Road)
Saturdays - Reston (Lake Anne Village Center)

In addition, the **Vienna Farmers Market**, hosted by the **Optimist Club of Greater Vienna** will have a new home at the **Vienna Community Center parking lot (120 Cherry Street SE)**. Hours are 8 am to noon. [More market info](#)

Discovery Trail Map 2018



Animal Adventures Await on the Discovery Trail

The Park Authority's **2018 Discovery Trail Map** features the rich diversity of wildlife you'll see in Fairfax County parks. The map encourages children and adults to explore 12 distinctive parks and learn interesting facts about the wildlife that lives in the parks.

Participants who visit at least eight of the featured sites will receive tickets to more park fun valued at \$93 and be entered in a drawing for one of four bicycles. The maps will be available beginning May 11 at any Park Authority staffed park, RECenter, nature center, historic site or golf course, at any Fairfax County public library, at the Board of Supervisors' offices, and at [Park Authority online](#).



Get Paid to Play This Summer

The Park Authority is loaded with opportunities for summer employment. Like to fish, kayak or paddle-board? Or, explore nature and history? How about golf, fitness or dramatics? Also available are park maintenance positions. Explore [Jobs and Internships](#) for listing of opportunities and application information.

And don't forget all the available positions at the 45 [Rec-PAC](#) program sites. Open Hire dates for Rec-PAC are:

Tuesday, May 15, 5-8 pm - Oak View Elementary (5004 Sideburn Road, Fairfax)

Tuesday, May 22, 11 am-2:30 pm - Park Authority headquarters (12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax)

Wednesday, June 6, 11 am-2:30 pm - Park Authority headquarters

Visit the [Rec-PAC Jobs website](#) for details, locations and requirements needed to interview.

Congratulations!!

Benjamin Tignor, junior at **South Lakes High School**, is the new student representative to the Fairfax County School Board. Bennie was elected by the countywide Student Advisory Council.

Three Hunter Mill District students competing in Virginia Future Business Leaders of America State Leadership Conference won state honors and qualified to compete in the national conference in June. Students are:

Alicia Pan - Madison HS

David Meran - South Lakes HS

Kian Attari - South Lakes HS

Congratulations and good luck at Nationals!

Elizabeth Press of Madison HS, was among the Gold Award winners in STAR events at the 2018 Virginia Family Career and Community Leaders of America state leadership recognition conference. STAR events are a series of competitive events that enable student to demonstrate proficiency and achievement in leadership and job-related skills. Elizabeth won in the Teach and Train category.

South Lakes High School Student Council has been recognized as a 2018 national Gold Council of Excellence by the National Association of Student Councils. Councils awarded the gold level of the award have successfully demonstrated the highest levels of leadership. SLHS council was also recognized on the state level with the Virginia Student Councils Association Achievement Award and the Outstanding Student Council Project Award. Well done!

and, not to be missed....

Hunter Mill District resident **George Baber Atkisson**, celebrated the publishing of his first book, *The Chalice and the Stirrup Cup*, last month. George is a senior, not in high school but a senior resident all of 94 years young. George is a lifelong resident of the Vienna/Oakton area and graduate of Herndon High School class of 1940. He began work on his book around 1970. Congratulations George, and thank you for reminding us that it's never too late to accomplish our goals and dreams.

Hunter Mill Community Champion

May Bernhardt was recognized as the Hunter Mill Community Champion at the recent Fairfax County Volunteer Services Awards ceremony. May has lent her talents to helping the homeless in our community through committee work with Cornerstones. In addition, she and her staff organized the successful Reston Town Center walk to end homelessness, bringing together residents, merchants and businesses to raise almost \$6000.



Outdoor Experiential Learning Opportunities

The EDGE, George Mason University's Center of Outdoor Experiential Learning provides hands-on experiential learning programs that offer thought-provoking, yet fun, team development activities for youth and adults. Learning takes place on 35 low-elements and three high-elements, plus a variety of portable activities. Programs are designed to meet the specific needs for each group. The EDGE is located on GMU's Science and Technology Campus in Manassas. For information, visit edge.gmu.edu, or call 703-933-3761.



Have some leftover items from Spring cleaning that could use a new home? Or outgrown gear that someone else might need? Or do you like to browse for good deals?

The **Friends of Frying Pan Farm Park** is hosting a special yard sale! Imagine you setting up your own store in a horse stall! Mark your calendar - the **Yard Sale in the Stalls** will be on Saturday, June 16, with set up on June 15.

Watch Friends of Frying Pan Farm Park Facebook, and Twitter for more details! Call for more info closer to the date: (703) 437-9101.



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